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Title: **A MEDIUM COMPOSITION, METHOD  
AND DEVICE FOR SELECTIVELY  
ENHANCING THE ISOLATION OF  
ANAEROBIC MICROORGANISMS  
CONTAINED IN A MIXED SAMPLE WITH  
FACULTATIVE MICROORGANISMS**

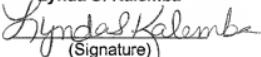
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AMENDMENT

Dear Madam:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed July 10, 2006, Applicants request reconsideration of the application in view of the amendments and comments which follow.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.